

**Chapter 19.385*****Recycling Facilities*****19.385.010 Purpose**

The purpose of regulating recycling facilities is to ensure compatibility of such uses with surrounding uses and properties and to avoid any impacts associated with such uses.

**19.385.020 Applicability and Permit Requirements**

Beverage container recycling facilities, mobile recycling units, indoor collection centers, reverse vending machines and bulk reverse vending machines, as defined in Article X (Definitions), are permitted as set forth in Article V, Base Zones and Related Use and Development Provisions subject to the requirements contained in this Chapter.

**19.385.030 Site Location, Operation and Development Standards****A. Mobile Recycling Units**

Mobile recycling units shall comply with the following regulations.

1. The unit shall be staffed at all times during operating hours.
2. The unit shall operate a minimum of 30 hours per week but shall be limited to the hours between 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
3. The unit shall be located on a site occupied by commercial or industrial businesses.
4. All beverage containers shall be stored in opaque enclosures so as not to be readily visible.
5. The unit shall be at least 50 feet from any street or residentially zoned or occupied property. An additional setback may be required to mitigate exposure of the unit to the street or adjacent property.
6. The total area occupied by the unit shall not exceed 500 square feet.
7. Exterior signage shall be limited to one unlighted identification sign and one hours-of-operation sign, each not to exceed 16 square feet per mobile recycling unit.
8. The unit shall not interfere with pedestrian or vehicular circulation and shall not consume any required parking spaces.
9. The unit shall be screened from adjacent properties and streets by landscaping or other screening.

10. No more than three colors shall be used on the unit(s).

**B. Reverse Vending Machines**

Reverse vending machines shall comply with the following regulations.

1. Signage shall be limited to the surface area of the machines.
2. The machines shall be located within 30 feet of a building entry and shall abut such building.
3. The machines shall be situated at least 100 feet from any residentially zoned or occupied property.
4. The machines shall not interfere with pedestrian or vehicular circulation or parking.
5. Only one machine or group of machines shall be allowed per commercial or industrial property.
6. Such machine(s) shall not meet the definition of reverse vending machine-bulk type.
7. No more than three colors shall be used on each machine or group of machines.
8. The machines shall not exceed reasonable noise limits pursuant to [Title 7](#).

**C. Indoor Collection Centers**

Indoor collection centers shall comply with the following operational regulations.

1. Exterior signage shall be limited to one unlighted identification sign and one hours-of-operation sign, each not to exceed 6 square feet.

**D. Bulk Reverse Vending Machines**

Bulk reverse vending machines shall comply with the following standards.

1. No more than three colors shall be used on each machine or group of machines.
2. The machines shall be situated at least 100 feet from any residentially zoned or occupied property.
3. The machine(s) shall not interfere with pedestrian or vehicular circulation or parking.
4. The machines shall not exceed reasonable noise limits pursuant to [Title 7](#).
5. Only one machine or group of machines shall be allowed per commercial or industrial complex.